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MEETING OF RWANDA OPERATIONAL SUPPORT GROUP

BRIEF REMARKS BY ASSISTANT SECRETARY MOOSE
FOLLOWING THE OPENING REMARKS OF UNDER SECRETARY WIRTH

- Thank you, Mr. Secretary. I would like to join Secretary Wirth in welcoming you here. We greatly appreciate your interest and participation.
- Before we begin the discussion, I would like to say a few words about the agenda, and next steps.
- In putting together today's agenda, we were careful to take into consideration your views. For this first meeting, we wanted to be comprehensive, so that we would have a good overview of the main issues from the start.
- While the agenda may appear somewhat ambitious, we will do our best to cover all areas; some issues -- such as camp security -- will obviously be examined in more depth than others.
- To make the most out of the time we have, we have included a working lunch for the heads of each delegation, with other delegation members dining together in adjacent rooms.
- As Secretary Christopher's letter of invitation indicated, we expect that future meetings of this new contact group will take place in New York.

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- We may choose to focus these future meetings on one or two key issues, with a status report on others. The key issue or issues of the day would obviously be driven by events on the ground.
- We hope to hold future contact meetings at least (monthly???), with the date to be worked out among our missions in New York.
- We will be in touch with all of you through our UN mission on setting up the next session.
- Once again, let me welcome you all here. We've got a very busy day ahead, so let's move straight to the first agenda item.

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